COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CLAIMS BOARD

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

May 1, 2006

This regular meeting of the County of Los Angeles Claims Board was called to order at 8:03 a.m. The meeting was held in the Executive Conference Room, 648 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, Los Angeles, California.

Present at the meeting were Claims Board Members: Maria M. Oms, Rocky Armfield, and John F. Krattli; Outside Counsel: John Collins, Elizabeth Kessel; The Office of the County Counsel: Narbeh Bagdasarian, Brian Chu, Sheilah Curtis, Julianne Doi, Elizabeth Miller, Stephen Morris, Robert Nagle, Lester Tolnai, and Judy Whitehurst; Sheriff's Department: Shaun Mathers, Pat Hunter, Tom Flaherty, and Rod Penner; Department of Animal Care and Control: Marcia Mayeda; Department of Children and Family Services: Sandy Stivers; Department of Health Services: Patricia Adams and Larry Gatton; Department of Public Social Services: Lisa Nunez and Luther Evans; Department of Public Works: Allan Abramson, Charles Adams, and William Winter; Internal Services Department: Dave Lambertson and Joe Sandoval; Office of Affirmative Action Compliance: Hayward Harris, Jr.; Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk: Kristin Heffron

No members of the public addressed the Claims Board.

At 8:02 a.m., the Chairperson adjourned the meeting into closed session. At 10:35 a.m., the public meeting was reconvened.

The Claims Board took the following actions:

a. <u>Indra Systems, Inc.</u> v. <u>County of Los Angeles</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 323 293

This lawsuit concerns a breach of contract arising from a purchase order from the Internal Services Department.

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$237,500 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.

The vote of the Claims Board was unanimous with all members present.

b. <u>Keiana Harrison</u> v. <u>County of Los Angeles</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 328 490

This lawsuit concerns allegations that an employee of the Department of Public Social Services was subjected to sexual harassment.

The Claims Board approved settlement of this matter. The substance of the above settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry by any person as soon as the settlement becomes final following approval by all parties.

The vote of the Claims Board was unanimous with all members present.

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c. <u>Ingrid Johannah Mondragon</u> v. <u>County of Los Angeles</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 330 682

This lawsuit concerns allegations that an employee of the Department of Animal Care and Control was subjected to sexual harassment and discrimination.

The Claims Board approved settlement of this matter. The substance of the above settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry by any person as soon as the settlement becomes final following approval by all parties.

The vote of the Claims Board was unanimous with all members present.

d. <u>Claim of Christian Garcia</u> OAAC Charge No. DPW 05-0203

This claim concerns allegations of racial harassment and sex discrimination.

The Claims Board approved settlement of this matter. The substance of the above settlement will be disclosed upon inquiry by any person as soon as the settlement becomes final following approval by all parties.

The vote of the Claims Board was unanimous with all members present.

e. <u>Samuel Stella</u> v. <u>County of Los Angeles</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 322 735

This lawsuit concerns allegations that an employee of the Department of Public and Social Services was subjected to racial harassment and discrimination.

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$145,000 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.

The vote of the Claims Board was unanimous with all members present.

f. Ary Leite v. County of Los Angeles
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 302 592

This lawsuit concerns allegations that an employee of the Sheriff's Department was subjected to age discrimination.

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$275,000 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.

The vote of the Claims Board was unanimous with all members present.

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g. <u>Mary Craig</u> v. <u>County of Los Angeles</u> United States District Court Case No. CV 05-01711 ER

This lawsuit seeks compensation for a death which occurred while in the custody of the Sheriff's Department.

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$300,000 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.

The vote of the Claims Board was unanimous with all members present.

h. <u>Gregory L. Harris</u> v. <u>County of Los Angeles</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. TC 017 976

This medical negligence lawsuit arises from injuries sustained by a patient while hospitalized at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center.

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$150,000, plus assumption of the Medi-Cal Lien not to exceed \$83,281.93 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.

The vote of the Claims Board was unanimous with all members present.

i. <u>Sonia Escobar, Israel Portillo</u> v. <u>County of Los Angeles</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. SC 085 338

This wrongful death lawsuit arises from injuries sustained by a patient while hospitalized at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center.

This matter was continued to the next Claims Board meeting.

j. Rouvenie Robianes, et al. v. County of Los Angeles Lancaster Superior Court Case No. MC 013 949

This lawsuit seeks compensation for injuries received in an automobile accident.

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$1,750,000 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.

The vote of the Claims Board was unanimous with all members present.

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Minutes for the April 3, 2006 meeting was approved.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m. The next regular meeting will be held on May 15, 2006.

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GEORGENE SALISBURY

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MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

May 8, 2006

This special meeting of the County of Los Angeles Claims Board was called to order at 8:01 a.m. The meeting was held in the Executive Conference Room, 648 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, Los Angeles, California.

Present at the meeting were Claims Board Members: Maria M. Oms, Rocky Armfield, and John F. Krattli; Outside Counsel: Jeffrey Bates and Duncan McCreary; The Office of the County Counsel: Sheilah Curtis, Nabeh Bagdasarian, and Roger Granbo; Department of Health Services: Larry Gatton; Public Library: Margaret Donellon Todd; Sheriff's Department: Shaun Mathers

No members of the public addressed the Claims Board.

At 8:01 a.m., the Chairperson adjourned the meeting into closed session. At 9:22 a.m., the public meeting was reconvened.

The Claims Board took the following actions:

a. <u>Peter Rosenwald</u> v. <u>County of Los Angeles</u> Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 322 231

This lawsuit concerns allegations of retaliation by an employee of the Public Library.

The Claims Board approved settlement of this matter in the amount of \$100,000 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.

The vote of the Claims Board was unanimous with all members present.

b. <u>County of Los Angeles</u> v. <u>Sandra Shewry and State Department of Health Services</u>

Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BS 094 535

This lawsuit concerns payments under the State Medi-Cal program.

The Claims Board approved to accept payment in this matter in the amount of \$89,234 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.

The vote of the Claims Board was unanimous with all members present.

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c. <u>Claim of Ralph's Grocery Company</u>

This claims seeks compensation for damages caused by a Fire Department vehicle.

The Claims Board approved settlement of this matter in the amount of \$37,835 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.

The vote of the Claims Board was unanimous with all members present.

d. <u>Jason Hovsepian and Maria Larragoitiy</u> v. <u>County of Los Angeles</u> Torrance Superior Court Case No. YC 049 674

This lawsuit seeks compensation for injuries received in an automobile accident with a Sheriff's Deputy.

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$180,000 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.

The vote of the Claims Board was unanimous with all members present.

e. <u>Tammy Z. v. County of Los Angeles</u> United States District Court Case No. CV 05-7898 SVW (VBKx)

This lawsuit concerns allegations of sexual assault by a Sheriff's Deputy.

The Claims Board recommended to the Board of Supervisors the settlement of this matter in the amount of \$325,000 as set forth in the Claims Board memorandum.

The vote of the Claims Board was unanimous with all members present.

f. Jane D. v. County of Los Angeles
United States District Court Case No. CV 04-7621 ABC (MANx)

This lawsuit concerns allegations of sexual assault by a Sheriff's Deputy.

This matter was continued to the next Claims Board meeting.

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There was discussion on Claims Board procedures.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2006.

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